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Attorney Docket No.	22330-RA
First Inventor	Schaer, David R.
Title	Apparatus and Method for
Express Mail Label No.	EV331057900US

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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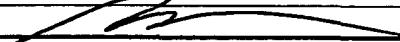
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 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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1001 750	2001 375	Utility filing fee		375.00	
1002 330	2002 165	Design filing fee			
1003 520	2003 260	Plant filing fee			
1004 750	2004 375	Reissue filing fee			
1005 160	2005 80	Provisional filing fee			
<b>SUBTOTAL (1)</b>		(\$ 375.00)			

## 2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	27	-20** = 7	x 9.00	= 63
Independent Claims	5	- 3** = 2	x 42.0	= 84
Multiple Dependent				

Large Entity	Small Entity	Fee Description
1202 18	2202 9	Claims in excess of 20
1201 84	2201 42	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203 280	2203 140	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204 84	2204 42	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205 18	2205 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent
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1053 130	1053 130	Non-English specification			
1812 2,520	1812 2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination			
1804 920*	1804 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
1805 1,840*	1805 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
1251 110	2251 55	Extension for reply within first month			
1252 410	2252 205	Extension for reply within second month			
1253 930	2253 465	Extension for reply within third month			
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1255 1,970	2255 985	Extension for reply within fifth month			
1401 320	2401 160	Notice of Appeal			
1402 320	2402 160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
1403 280	2403 140	Request for oral hearing			
1451 1,510	1451 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
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1453 1,300	2453 650	Petition to revive - unintentional			
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1810 750	2810 375	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))			
1801 750	2801 375	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
1802 900	1802 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application			
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